Occupancy and Use

THUNDER BASIN NATIONAL GRASSLAND

Pursuant to Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 261.50 (a), for the purpose of protecting public safety and reducing public user conflicts, the following act is prohibited until April 4, 2013, or until this order is terminated, whichever occurs first. The below prohibition is for <u>recreational shooting purposes</u> <u>only</u>, and defined as any non-hunting shooting.

1. Discharging a firearm, air rifle, or gas gun. 36 CFR 261.58(m)

Area Description: This Order encompasses approximately 1,920 acres depicted in Exhibit A. This area is designated as Management Area 4.32, Dispersed Recreation High use, and 3.65, Rangelands with Diverse Natural-Appearing Landscapes in the 2002 Revision to the Thunder Basin National Grassland Resource Management Plan.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e) the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Any person with a current Wyoming State Game and Fish hunting license in their possession, for a species they are legally hunting on closed area, or who is legally hunting vermin or predators as defined by Wyoming State Game and Fish regulations.
- 2. Any person who is using a paintball gun
- 3. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force when in the performance of an official duty.
- 4. Any person or organization with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

Done at Laramie, Wyoming, this 18th day of April, 2008.

/s/ Mary H. Peterson

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Violations of this prohibition are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6), or both. **16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559 and 3571**.